

Three R's Stressed At Perry School

"Special emphasis is placed on the three R's in the Torrance schools to enable growing children to meet their present and future needs in life," according to Lester Foster, Principal of the Perry School in a statement released to the press. Foster explained how 8th grade students are taught the English language—speaking it, writing it, spelling it.

"There is hardly a subject in all life more important than the use of oral English," Foster went on, "and here at Perry we have used every known practical and down-to-earth method of perfecting it. In Don Porter's 8th grade class, for instance, the children have a 'Radio Station P-E-R-Y' on which each student acts as commentator and presents the current news. After each student gets a chance in expressing his views and using the English language, they all engage in a discussion. This is all calculated to bring about a more effective use of English in a practical everyday situation, and it works wonders here at Perry," he pointed out, "and it is our plan to keep on with something that is tried and proven."

"In spelling, Porter's class gets to the heart of the whole matter. Words that present difficulties are pulled out of the child's reading. Right now they are reading about the prevention of forest fires, the products that come from the forest, and mountain sports. Each child will point out those words that give him the greatest difficulty. The children will then pool all these words and practice again on them. Similar to the old-time spelling bee," he went on, "but more meaningful, more interesting and a lot more effective."

Sylvia Baligad, 8th grade student, of 4340 182nd, is now working on a San Bernardino National Forest project. She writes her own letters to the Department of Interior and other sources to get the information. She works in letter writing, with English combined in a never-to-be-forgotten forceful manner.

Joan Lacey, of 4203 W. 179th, did her project on the Pike National Forest; Tommie McBee of 18381 Hawthorne Blvd., worked on the Chelan National Forest, and Jean Murakofka of 18405 Amie looked into the Flat Lake National Forest in Utah.

"Today's three-R education at Perry is taking on new meaning," said Foster. "Children are learning to speak better, to spell better, to write better. We are proud of what they are doing and we shall use every means at our command to make them progress even more rapidly."

El Camino To Host Industrial Convention Jan. 11

Representatives of 23 colleges will gather at El Camino College January 11 for a Junior College Industrial convention sponsored by the Los Angeles County Superintendent of Education, Robert F. Stone, assistant director of instruction at El Camino College, will act as moderator.

Charges Filed

Twelve Year Old Cyclist Hit by Auto

Charges will be filed against Paul W. Lawrence, 28, of Los Angeles who allegedly struck and injured with his auto a young bicyclist last Friday afternoon in Torrance, according to Police Chief John Stroh.

Carl Stanley Welton, 12, of 720 Portola Ave., suffered a crushed right shoulder when he was hit by an auto driven by Paul W. Lawrence, 28, of Los Angeles.

Lt. Col. Vernet Of Torrance Sent to Georgia

CAMP COOKE—Lt. Col. Herbert A. Vernet Jr. left here today for Fort Benning, Ga., where he will attend a one-week refresher course at the Infantry School.

Vernet, who is inspector general of Southern California's 40th Infantry Division, was called to active duty with the outfit last September. He resided at 1547 W. 204th St., Torrance.

The colonel originally was commissioned in the Officers' Reserve Corps but later transferred to the Marine Corps Reserve and served with the Marines throughout World War II.

He spent more than four years overseas and was decorated by the Chinese republic for his civil affairs work in Tientsin, China. Vernet joined the 40th shortly after it was reorganized in the National Guard following the war.

A study of traffic injuries in Los Angeles over the last ten years indicates that the most dangerous month of the year is December. An average of 1289 persons are injured in traffic accidents every December.—(L. A. P. D.)

Blood cells are so small that 60,000 could be placed on the head of a pin, according to the World Book Encyclopedia.

Slain Child's Parents File \$100,255 Suit

Mr. and Mrs. Acollus Lee Hensley of 20826 So. Main st., whose three-year-old son, James, died after being hit on the head by a hurled piece of metal, filed suit in Los Angeles Superior Court Jan. 3 asking for \$100,255.

The Hensleys directed the action against three other boys who allegedly threw the metal piece while playing in their back yards.

The lads are Robert Earl Fulmer, 10, son of Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Fulmer, 20826 S. Shearer st.; Ingard Zahl, 8, and Roy McKinley, also 8.

The name of their parents were not listed in the complaint.

All three lads were described as having "vicious dispositions." The Hensley boy was injured Nov. 29 and died Dec. 3.

The other three lads assertedly were playing in the Fulmer back yard when one of them threw a piece of metal and struck the Hensley boy on the head.

Superior Judge A. A. Scott, in Los Angeles, on Dec. 27 made the three boys wards of the court.

Income Tax Aid Offered At El Camino College

Help in making out income tax returns will be offered by El Camino College in a series of free meetings to be held January 11, 18 and 25 from 7 to 9 p.m.

Instructors will be available to help with individual problems and to explain the 1950 income tax schedule. The college is located at Crenshaw and Redondo Beach boulevards.

Toluol is important in the manufacture of cement, wood stains, and paint.

El Camino Spring Semester Registration Jan. 29, 30, 31

REGISTRATION FOR SPRING SEMESTER AT EL CAMINO COLLEGE SCHEDULED JANUARY 29, 30, 31. Registration for the spring semester at El Camino College will be held in the college gymnasium January 29, 30 and 31 between 9 a. m. and 8 p. m. Classes in the new term begin February 1.

Qualification tests for new students in English, chemistry, mathematics, and business are scheduled January 20.

The English placement test, required of all regular students who have not previously completed a college English course, will be held on January 20 at 9 a. m., 1 p. m. and 7 p. m.

Chemistry, mathematics, and business qualification tests will be given January 20 at 12 noon and 6 p. m. The chemistry and mathematics tests are required of students intending to enroll in chemistry IA and mathematics A (high school algebra). All students enrolling in office machines, accounting, or business mathematics must take the business qualification test.

Before taking placement tests or registering, new students should file with the director of student personnel an application for admission and a transcript of high school and college work previously completed.

Registration will be conducted according to the following schedule:

Former Students Enrolled In Day Classes

Students planning June 1951 graduation—January 29, 9 a. m. to 12 noon.

Surnames beginning R through S—January 29, 12 noon to 9 p. m.

Surnames beginning T through Z—January 29, 3 p. m. to 6 p. m.

Surnames beginning H through L—January 30, 9 a. m. to 12 noon.

Surnames beginning M through Q—January 30, 12 noon to 3 p. m.

Surnames beginning A through B—January 30, 3 p. m. to 6 p. m.

Surnames beginning C through G—January 31, 9 a. m. to 12 noon.

New Students

Surnames beginning L through Z—January 31, 12 noon to 3 p. m.

Surnames beginning A through K—January 31, 3 p. m. to 6 p. m.

Former and New Students in Extended Day Program (Night Classes)

Surnames beginning R through Z—January 29, 6 p. m. to 8 p. m.

Surnames beginning H through Q—January 31, 6 p. m. to 8 p. m.

Surnames beginning A through G—January 31, 6 p. m. to 8 p. m.

Students who are unable to register during their scheduled hours may register at any time following the assigned period.

17 Year-Old Run Away Girl Still Missing

Still reported missing as this paper went to press was 17-year-old Virginia Roberts, of 3116 Dalemead, North Torrance.

Under guardianship of Sgt. and Mrs. Harris, of 3116 Dalemead, Virginia, a ward of the Los Angeles Juvenile Bureau is reported to have run away from home 9 p.m. January 4, 1951.

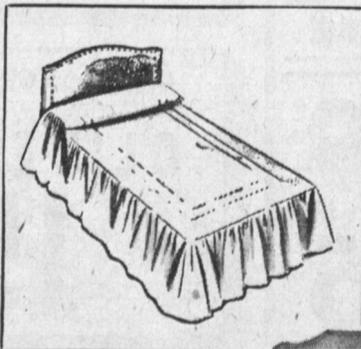
Virginia is 5 ft. 6 inches tall and weighs 118 lbs. She has red hair, brown eyes, freckles and is of medium build. When last seen, she was wearing a 1951 Torrance High School senior sweater and a brown skirt.

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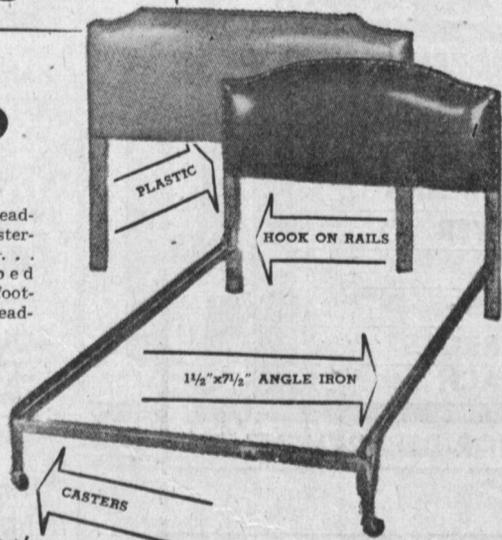
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